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MEETING IN ATHENS SEPTEMBER 3-6

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1. SECRETARIAT (SPIELMAN) HAS CONFIRMED TO MISSION THE
DECISION OF PROF. SARASON, U.S. ORGANIZER OF SUBJECT
CONFERENCE, TO POSTPONE MEETING (REF). WE UNDERSTAND SARASON
NOW HOPES RESCHEDULE IT FOR OCTOBER WITH LOCATION STILL
TO BE ARRANGED. ACCORDING SPIELMAN, HE TOLD SARASON
ON PHONE YESTERDAY (AUGUST 20) ON BEHALF NATO SECRETARIAT
THAT IT WAS HOPED ATHENS "WOULD NOT BE EXCLUDED" AS SITE
FOR MEETING WHEN RESCHEDULED. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL-FYI:
SPIELMAN MADE FOREGOING POINT TO SARASON FOLLOWING DISCUSSION
OF SITUATION WITH ACTING SYG PANSA WHO STRONGLY FAVORED
POSTPONEMENT BUT INSISTED THAT SECRETARIAT AVOID
AGGRAVATING GREEK POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES. END FYI.

2. ACCORDING SPIELMAN, WHEN HE SUBSEQUENTLY INFORMED
GREEK NATO DEL THAT SARASON HAD DECIDED AS ORGANIZER
TO POSTPONE MEETING AND THAT SECRETARIAT HAD URGED THAT
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ATHENS NOT BE EXCLUDED AS POSSIBLE LATER SITE, GREEK
DELOFF (GENERAL HATZIS) REPLIED THAT HE PERSONALLY
BELIEVED POSTPONEMENT WAS PERHAPS BEST SOLUTION UNDER
PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES. END CONFIDENTIAL.

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